

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Linda W. Cropp
Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Natwar M. Gandhi [signature]
Chief Financial Officer

DATE: October 13, 2004

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement: "Human Care Agreement Number
PO-JA-2003-HC-011-040 Approval and Payment
Authorization Emergency Act of 2004"

REFERENCE: Draft Legislation to be Introduced - No Number Available

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2005 through FY 2008 budget and financial plan as agreed to by the mayor and the Council of the District of Columbia (Council). No additional staff or resources will be required.

Background

The proposed legislation would provide the Department of Human Services (DHS) the legal authority to contract with the National Children's Center to provide services to Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities Administration's (MRDDA) consumers.

Under the Evan's Court decree and the requirements of D.C. Law 2-137¹ the District is required to provide a prescribed system of care and support services to District residents who have mental retardation and other developmental disabilities. Services to these individuals are rendered through community providers engaged by MRDDA who retains a quality assurance and oversight role. The National Children's Center is a residential provider that currently houses 32 consumers.

¹ Mentally Retarded Citizens Constitutional Rights and Dignity Act of 1978 and D.C. Official Code Title 7 § 1301.02 Human Healthcare and Safety §§ (D) Mentally Retarded Citizens, Chapter 13 Rights of Mentally Retarded Citizens *et sequitor*, Effective March 3, 1979.

Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2005 through FY 2008 budget and financial plan as agreed to by the Mayor and the Council. No additional resources will be required. The proposed legislation will continue a contract with an existing goods and services provider. The table in Figure 1 presents the planned expenditures included in the District's budget and financial plan.

Figure 1.

| Revenue Impact to the Financial Plan (\$ in millions) | | | | |
|--|---------|---------|---------|---------------|
| FY 2005 | FY 2006 | FY 2007 | FY 2008 | TOTAL |
| \$2.32 | \$2.87 | \$2.94 | \$1.74 | \$9.87 |